LATE DEPARTMENT NEWS.

DUTY ON ONE'S CLOTHING. - The Treasury Department has informed Mr. H. H. Stevens that a suit of clothes imported by him on the 12th instant cannot be allowed free chiry. The question in controversy was this: The clothes were made in Liverpool in August last, but were not finished when Mr. Stevens sailed for America and were not in actual use by Mr. Stevens before his arrival.

THE FIRE IN THE TREASURY .- John D. Biddis, J. A. Watts and Theodore De Land, the committee appointed to investigate the origin of the fire in room 92, Bureau of Internal Revenue, on the night of October 12 last, have reported. The finding is that the fire probably originated from the flame of an open lamp in the hands of the engineer who vented the water cocks that night. The committee is of opinion that the danger of fire can be obviated by using bulls-eye lanterns instead of inflammable lights.

NAVAL ORDERS -Ordered - Lieutenant Charles Belknap, to examination for promotion. Detached-Lieutenant Seaton Schroder, from the Richmond and ordered to special duty connected with the dynamite cruiser Vesuvius; Lieutenant N. E. Niles, from the torpedo station, 25th instant, and ordered to the Atlanta; Lieutenants J. K. Cogswell, C. P. Rees and A. W. Dodd and Engineer N. J. L. T. Halpine and H. B. Ashmore and Passed Assistant Surgeon A. C. Heffenger, from the Kearsarge on her arrival at Monte Video and ordered to the Tallapoosa: Lieutenants C. F. Norton, F. ton Schroder, from the Richmond and Tallapoosa; Lieutenants C. F. Norton, F. H. Sheriman and J. N. Jordan and Ensign A. L. Hall, from the Tallapoosa on the arrival of the Kearsarge at Monte Video and ordered to the latter vessel.

Minor and Personal.

Leave of absence for one month has been granted Colonel Thomas B. Baylor of the Ordnance Department. The National bank notes received for re-

The National bank notes received for re-demption to-day amount to \$201,000. Marion B. Melotyre of Cincinnati and Joseph K. Ellington of Palmetto, Ga., were appointed storekeepers and gaugers to-day.

THE DISTRICT GOVERNMENT.

The annual report of the Central Dispensary and Emergency Hospital for the last fiscal year has been submitted to the Commissioners. The total number of cases were 5,793, of which 643 were emergency cases. The expanses amounted to \$2,651,72. In July \$12,250 was amounted to \$2.691.73. In July \$12,290 was received from Congress for the purpose of paying off the bouded debt of the institution. There is still a debt of \$250 remaining incurred for the erection of a rear building to the hospital, which contains the drug and operating rooms. Considerable difficulty is experienced at times in paying the running expenses, which now reach \$300, of which the District Government gives \$300 and the remaining \$100 is raised by voluntary contributions.

A petition has been received asking for the grading and paving of T street, between Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets.

The Commissioners have expended \$222, 697.98 in new school buildings and sites under the present appropriation. The money was the present appropriation. The money was spent as follows: Fourteenth and Q streets, \$23,365; R street, between New Hampshire avenue and Seventeenth street, \$40,322; Arthur Place, \$35,105,45; Fifth street southeast, between Virginia avenue and G street, \$26,333,30; I street, between Third and Four-and-half streets southwest, \$31,294,20; First and L streets, \$33,294; First, between B and C streets southwest, \$33,981.

D. B. Christian has been appointed a patrol driver in the Police Department. J. M. Keating has applied for appointment as Inspector of Food.

The Collector's receipts for the present month have run from \$5,000 to \$7,000 ahead of the daily receipts of any previous November. The office and adjoining hall have been ber. The office and adjoining hall have been well filled with taxpayers every day since the first of the month, when the new license year began. The receipts up to last night amounted to \$482.006.14. The receipts for current taxes alone are \$50,000 shead of the first twenty lays of last November. The refusal of the Collector to receive checks in payment for taxes is supposed to have something to do with the uniformly large receipts, as the custom has been to allow the payment of taxes to go by until the last flay or two of the month, and then send the bills and a check by mail. This would keep the books open for nearly a week after the month was open to record the pushels of bills received in the mails.

Health Officer Townshend reports that there

Health Officer Townshend reports that there were 77 deaths, 107 births and 35 marriages reported last week. Thirty of the decedents were under 5 years of age and 11 were over 60

Permits to build have been granted to Mrs. McKeever to erect two frame dwellings or Superior street, Meridian Hill, to cost \$1,700 Daulel H. Nichols, erect addition to hotel at 485 Pennsylvania avenue, to cost \$8,000.

For Government Printer. An Indianapolis special to the New York World says: "The latest story started by the World says: "The latest story started by the gossips here is that Chairman Clarkson, who edits the Iowa State Register, and John C. New of the Journal, are together to control the Government Printing Office and all its adjuncts of political strength. The fact that Colonel W. B. Holloway has been much with Colonel Clarkson since his arrival here tends to strengthen that belief, as the impression has been current for some days that Colonel Holloway was to have a go at the Printing Holloway was to have a go at the Printing Office in one way or another. Both New and Clarkson are quoted as saving that they don't want places in the Cabinet, which, the talkers say, makes the Printing Office theory altogether plausible."

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A dispatch to the New York Tribune says:
Among General Harrison's callers to-day was
Captain William M. Meredith of Chicago, who
is pretty likely to be the Public Printer under
the new Administration. His only claim to
consideration is practical experience of a kind
that qualifies him for the position to which he
aspires and with it he has strong political
backing, but needs less of it than other office
scekers will require. He is an old army commanded the color company in the 70th Indians
Regiment, and afterward for many years he
was a neighbor of the General. The relations between them have been of an
intimately firlendly nature and seven
years ago General Harrison, then a member of
the Senate, strongly urged Meredith's appointment as Public Printer, but the position
was given to S. P. Rounds. The letters of
recommendation that were used in his behalf
at that time he still has in his possession. His
appointment would be acceptable to the typogranhical upilon, in which he has been promiat that time he still has in his hossession. His appointment would be acceptable to the typo-graphical union, in which he has been promi-neut. For several years he was foreman of the St. Louis Globe-Democrat's news rooms, but during the hast few years has been superintendent of the Western Bank Note En-graving Company in Chinago.

THE COURT RECORD.

Equity Court-Justice Cox. Taylor vs. Taylor, hearing of motion dification of restraining order fixed for

Circuit Court-Justice Cox. McMahon vs. Kilmarton, verdict for plaintiff for \$280.48, Cunningham vs. Edes, placed on trial. Criminal Court-Justice Montgomery

Wm. F. Lee, glias Hamilton Y. Grey, amy, verdict not guilty. Chas. Coates, lar-ceny from the person, placed on trial. Ivory M. Blood, false pretences, placed on trial. Court in General Term—The Chief Jus-

tice, Justices James and Cox. Meloy ve. Central National Bank, argued submitted. Thomas vs. Holtzman,

To Inspect the Kearsarge Next Friday a board of inspection, with Next Friday a board of inspection, with Admiral Jouett at the head, will go on board the U.S. steamor Koarsarge, at Norfolk, and thoroughly inspect that man-of-war, to see if she is in fit condition to go to see and prepare for action. The board will make a short cruise out to sea, and the vessel and her battery will be severely tested. If she is found to be acaworthy she will return to port, take on board a relief crew for the U.S. steamer Tallapoosa and proceed to her station on the South Atlantic Squadron.

THE EVENING POST.

WASHINGTON, WEDNESDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 21, 1888.

HE NEVER SAW ANY BAD WORK A SAD ACCIDENT.

Contractor Beckwith Examined by the Court of Inquiry.

HE THINKS THE INSPECTORS TO BLAME.

Major Lydecker and Lieutenant Townsend to Testify Before the Congres-

The taking of testimony was resumed by the Military Court of Inquiry this morning at the War Department.

Lieutenant Davis, the recorder, was absent, on account of illness in his family, and Lieutenant H. R. Lemly of the Third Artilery acted in his stead. Daniel Griffin, a colored man, was sworn. He had been a mortar mixer in the tunnel work. His testimony was not of an important nature, relating to the mixing of the mortar, which he said was fairly well done and, as a rule,

the mortar was pretty good.

Mr. Beckwith, one of the firm of Beckwith & Quackenbush, and later Beckwith, Quackenbush & Co., contractors on the tunnel, testified that his personal supervision over the work extended from the time the work comtended from the time the work com-menced until March, 1886. Up to this time no packing except dry packing was done. The work of putting in the brick masonry and dry rubble packing was sub-let to T. J. Brennan. There was, he thought, no question as to the power of the firm to sub-let it. Witness was in the tunnel every day, and inspected it as the

The brick which were delivered were inspected by a Government inspector-Lucas, he thought. The mortar was mixed outside the shaft, dry, two parts of sand to one of cement. The Government inspectors superintended the mixing of the mortar. Witness spent from four to eight hours in the tunnel sails. daily. He inspected the lining of the tunnel, the masonry and the packing, and made it a point to visit each heading once a day. He had no particular time to visit the tunnel. Never Saw Any Bad Work.

"Did you ever see any bad brick work?" asked the president.

Never at all.' Did you ever see any bad packing?

"Did you ever hear of any bad work being done?"
"Never to my knowledge."

"What steps did you take to prevent

"Well, I gave the work my personal supervision; then, there were Govern-ment inspectors and foremen who were strictly charged to prevent bad work." "Did any one in the employment of the Government ever receive any money

Witness stated that while in New York his partner, Mr. Quackenbush, wrote him that certain workmen were needed and he sent them here from the New York Aqueduct. Witness could not ex-plain the bad work on the tunnel. "If a foreman or inspector had done

"If a foreman or inspector had done his duty, could any large cavity have existed ""."
"No, sir."
"Did you know of any Government inspector ever receiving any money from you?"

"I do not know of any such instance."
Clonel Hodges—"Did you inspect the
work as frequently after the contract was
sublet as before?"

"Yes; about the same."
"Do you think the subletting of the

contract relieved you from any responsi-bility on the work?" Witness hesitated a moment, and then plied, "No; I do not."

Witness was closely questioned as to the men sent on from New York. His partner, Mr. Quackenbush, testified last week that no men bad been brought from New York to his knowledge. The men were foremen and drillmen. The President—"Mr. Beckwith, I will

ask you a question, which you can answer or not, as you blease; was there a margin of profit between your contract with the Government and the sub-con-tract which you let?"

'Yes, sir. Theodore Harbeck was then sworn. He is a fair-haired young man, with a pronounced Teutonic accent. He was a bricklayer and worked hist May in Foundry Branch and Rock Creek. He testified that as much as he could see of it, the packing in the side walls was laid in mortar and done well. This was under Inspector Lucas. One night he "keyed up" some "bays" while O'Brien was inspector. The inspector called for mortar right along and seemed to use a

great deal.

taken up.

The Court experienced considerable trouble in finding Sub-Contractor Brennan. He was finally located in Tremont, N. Y., and telegraphed for. A reply was received from his wife stating he was in Philadelphia.

The Congressional Investigation. Mr. Clements of the Congressional Committee appointed to investigate the Acqueduct scandal said this afternoon that on Monday, the 26th instant, the committee would begin the examination of witnesses by placing on the stand Major Lydecker and Lieutenant Townsend. The mechanical experts, he said, were still busily engaged in making their investigation. He did not think their investigation. He did not think they would make their final report before the meeting of Congress.

One Way to Fix It.

It has been found that the Sixteenth-street extended road, which has been fenced up, is over private land, and that the Commissioners are powerless to open it. There is, however, an unimproved road around at the side of the hill, which will be improved, and will then afford access to the region now reached by the present road.

Mr. J. Edward Chapman complained at the Commissioners' office to-day that the escaping ateam from the electric light works makes as great a noise as to make it almost impossible to sleep in the neighborhood of the works.

Mrs. George B. Williams of 1711 Rhoda Island avenue left this morning for California, where she is called by the illness of her sister, Mrs. L. L. Arnold. tectives had found no trace of missing 15-

Walter Scudder Shot While Cleaning an Old Revolver.
"I have found an old revolver among It Will be Held in the Court of the my effects, and I have drawn the loads

and I think I will clean it to-night." So Walter Scudder wrote to a young lady friend in Connecticut last night as he sat in his room in Dr. Keech's house, at 424 East Capitol atreet.

He finished his letter, enclosed it in an envelope, addressed it and then, removing his coat and replacing his shoes with slippers he sat down to clean the old revolver from which the loads had been drawn-all but one.

It was about 10 o'clock when Mr. Scudder went to his room. An hour or so afterward Dr. Keech, as he sat reading in his study, heard a sharp report, followed by a groan and a sound as of a body falling heavily. He ran to the foot of the stairs and one of the ladies in the house cried down to him that something had happened in Mr. Scuddar's room.

The Doctor hastened up stairs to the room occupied by Mr. Scudder. He knocked and received no answer. The door was unlocked and as he opened it a horrible sight met his eyes. Leaning back in a chair with blood spurting from his mouth was Walter Scudder.
His head had fallen forward, and a

His head had fallen forward, and a smoking revolver lay on his knees. Even as the doctor looked, the body slipped from the chair to the floor, the revolver falling heavily on the carpet at the same time. The doctor lifted the limp and bleeding body on the bed, but his young friend was dead.

The bullet from the old revolver had cased through his lung entering just

passed through his lungs, entering just a trific above the left nipple, and death was instantaneous.

Mr. Scudder's only relatives in this

city were notified, and word was sent to Police Lieutenant Boteler of the tragedy. This morning the body was removed to the residence of Mr. Scudder's aunt, Mrs. Van Doren, at 647 East Capitol street, Mrs. Van Doren is the only relative the dead man had in this city. His brother was notified by telegraph of Walter's death and is expected to arrive here to night.

Mr. Scudder had lived in the city

bout three years. He came here from Princeton, N. J., to accept a clerkship in the Government Printing Office, which he held at the time of his death, and has boarded at Dr. Keech's nearly ever since he came

He was a popular young man, 31 years old. The lady to whom he wrote last night was married to-day, and all knowledge of the sad accident to Mr. Scudder has been kept from her.

Coronor Patterson examined the body at Mrs. Van Doren's house this morning, read the letter quoted above, and gave a certificate of death from the accidental discharge of a pistol in the dead man's own hands, not deeming an inquest The body is to be taken to Princeton

for interment to-morrow.

THE BAPTISTS MEETING.

The Question of Tract Distribution Discussed at To-Day's Session.

The members of the Baptist Association were in their seats this morning when Rev. C. A. Stakely called the meeting to ofder. After the morning exercises Mr. R. C. Fox presented the report of the Committee on Sunday Schools.

The report commends the teachers and officers of the Sunday-school for their diligence and zeal displayed in the discharge of their duties.

A discussion on Sunday-school werk followed the reading of the report, which was participated in by Rev. S. H. Green, pastor of Calvary; Rev. C. A. Stakely, pustor of the First Baptist; Rev. D. W. Faunce, pastor of E-street Baptist Church, and Revs. C. C. Meador, R. C. Fox and R. W. Fenwick, after which it

was adopted.

Mr. E. B. Curtis presented the report of the Committee on Bible and Tract Distribution. The report recommends that the incoming executive board be instructed to appropriate from the genassociation a reasonabl eral fund of the amount-\$25-for the purchase of tracts.

A long discussion followed, during which Rev. C. C. Meador, Z. Richards, Professor O. T. Mason and E. B. Curtis made remarks.
Professor Mason argued in favor of

Professor Mason argued in favor of tracts, saying that the modern tract was not only interesting, but instructive.

The meeting then took a recess, and the members gathered in the Sunday School room where an inviting lunch awaited an attack.

After the recess the meeting reas-sembled, and half an hour was given to

devotional exercise.

The report of the committee on next place of meeting and preacher who will deliver the annual sermon next year was considered at the afternoon session

AN IMPORTANT POINT INVOLVED.

Does a Congressional Act Violate th Fourteenth Amendment?

The case of Milly Thomas vs. William F. Hollyman was argued in the Court in General Term to day. The plaintiff is a colored woman who some time ago recovered an undivided half of certain property by means of an ejectment suit. Later she filed a bill for a partition and

with Charles Queen, by whom she had two children, and later with John Thomas, by whom she had two more children. She did not hear from Thomas after the early days of the war.

These children filed a bill to revive the suit and the defendant claims that they

are not the legal heirs of Milly Thomas, although her children. They say that she never lived in the married relation with either Quinn or Thomas after she

acquired her freedom.

They also claimed that there was n marriage, the parties living in Maryland, where by law a ceremony was required in the marriage of slaves. It is claimed that the act of Congress legitimatizing the issue of colored persons is unconstitutional. The issue of a union of white persons

under the same circumstances would be illegitimate, and the act therefore operates as a denial to the white citizen of the "equal protection of the laws" provided for by the Fourteenth Amendment. The case was sent to the Court in General orm for hearing in the first instance.
C. Cole appears for the plaintiff and lesses. A. A. Birney and E. A. New-Messrs. A. A. Birney man for the defendant.

To Determine Her Sanity. A jury was impanelled to-day to inquire into the mental condition of Elizabeth Howell. A similar investigation last January resulted t No Trace of Annie Crockett.

Up to a late hour this afternoon the de-

an accounting.

While she was a slave she had lived

present at the meeting. The Superintendent of a County Infirm-

> makes sensational charges against Superintendent Young.

Bulldozing Charged in Mississippi

seventh districts. "Sulidozing and intimida-tion" is the ground upon which these con-tents will be made.

The committee is greatly elated over the success of the National ticket and will, it is understood, put out a full State ticket in 1890, as well as full county tickets in counties where they have a prospect of winning.

A LITTLE INSIDE HISTORY. OUR BIG QUADRENNIAL BALL, How the Famous Tariff Message Came to

reduction message sent to Congress last

Manton Marble is named as the per-

on who persuaded the President to for

tariff reform into politics as a distinctive issue. Henry Watterson assisted Mr.

issue. Henry Watterson assisted Mr. Marble in convincing the Preshient that this course was the proper one to pursue. The original draft of the message is said to have been made by Mr. Marble. As transmitted to Congress there were some W. Marble's composition.

but the main features were preserved

anges from Mr. Marble's composition,

When the President first submitted the essage to his Cabinet Mr. Whitney was

absent from the city. The other Cabi-net officers indorsed the President's de-

termination to send the document to Congress. Before the message was sent

THE LEAGUE MEETING.

What Was Done at the Session This

Morning, New York, Nov. 21.—Delegates to the

Convention of the National Baseball League.

ow ball system.

The unanimous opinion is that it would be a good thing to do away with the error column and substitute therefor sacrifice hits.

The statement that the Washington Club would endeavor to secure Ward was given its quietus by President Hewitt of that club, who positively denied that his club was an aspirant for the averages of Ward.

for the services of Ward.
"The Bostons want him," said Mr. Hewitt,
"and we would like to have him, but \$15,000

games each club will be required to play next season will be 126.

OPENING OKLAHOMA.

The Interstate Convention Appeal to the

WICHITA, KAN, Nov. 21.-The Interstate Oklahoma Convention met yester-

day with about 500 delegates present

from Kansas, Texas, Missouri, Arkansas

Illinois, Iowa and Nebraska. S. Doll-

legally organized, and Whereas we believe that the welfare of the

wealth, and
Whereas the proposed legislation is especially demanded because of the alarming prevalence of crime in Government: Therefore, be it
Resolved. That we urge most Imperatively

A committee to go to Washington in the interest of the Oklahoma Territory

was appointed; also an auxiliary com-

The Hop. William Springer of Spring

field, Ill., made a speech, explaining the bill bearing his name. He was followed by General Weaver of Iowa and Colonel

Mansur of Missouri and Hon. Sidney Clark of Lawrence, Kansas. At the

evening session the convention was addressed by Captain W. L. Couch, Colonel

A Quiet Celebration at Windsor,

Futile Fighting Fire.

Evicting the Iowa Settlers,

LONDON, Nov. 31.—The birthday celebration

Crocker and others.

adopted.

NEW YORK, Nov. 21.-The World's Washington correspondent telegraphs what is claimed to be the inside history of President Cleveland's famous tariff

December.

istration.

CONTRIBUTIONS RAPIDLY COMING IN.

Number of Donations from Various

Pension Building

Business Men Received To-Day Chairman Britton has received a letter from the Postmaster-General, com-

plying with his request to defer the transfer of the City Postoffice to the Pension building until after March 4. In his letter the Postmaster-General says that he has carefully considered the

law and the extent of the discretion re-

moval and other considerations con-nected with the matter. He is of the opinion that the removal may be deferred consistently with his duty in the premises and with the interests of the Government General George B. Williams was appointed this morning chairman committee on banquet at ball in, however, Mr. Whitney returned to Washington and was immediately consulted by President Cleveland upon the subject of the proposed decided tariff reform stand to be taken by the Administration

The consent of the Secretary of the Interior for the use of the Pension Build-ing remains to be obtained, but as he is known to be willing to grant permission.
the matter is practically settled.
Chairman Britton has appointed Hallet Kilbourn a member of the executive

committee. S. S. Shedd & Brother have offered to put in all the gas fixtures for the ballroom free of charge. Mr. Scott Towers, bookkeeper to the committee, has opened accounts with all the subscribers to the inaugural fund. There will be many smaller subscribers, and as an accurate account will be kept with each individ-

ual, this will necessitate a rather elaborate set of books. Even the donors of eash subscriptions are known to the com-The large mail the committee is re-ceiving contains many curious requests and suggestions. Among others to-day was a letter from two citizens of Texas. President was undoubtedly disturbed by he position taken by Mr. Whitney, whom he regarded as the shrewdest political adviser in the cabinet. requesting that their names be enrolled upon the list of invited guests and that they be sent tickets for the ball, together

with free railroad transportation. The Price of Ball Tickets. When asked to-day what action the committee had taken in reference to the price of tickets to the inaugural ball, Chairman Britton said that no decision had yet been reached. The subject is one that can wait, and there are other things now to engross their attention.

"The matter has been only informally discussed among members of the committee. So far as I am concerned, the price of the tickets will not be raised. We are not going to put ourselves way up above everybody else and be exclu-

Mr. M. M. Parker was of the same Among the crack organizations which will visit Washington to take part in the parade will be the famous Veteran Zouaves of Elizabeth, N. J., commanded Zouaves of Elizabeth, N. J., commanded by General J. Madison Drake. The Zouaves are known everywhere, having visited almost every prominent city in the United States. They will be accompanied by a fine band and drum corps, and will remain here three days as guests of Captain Edgar's Union Veteran Corps and Kit Carson Post. The Zouaves are three and font years' veterans, and many of them served in the army as officers. They will spend one Addison Drake. The Zouaves are known everywhere, having visited almost every prominent city in the United States. They will be accompanied by a fine band and drum corps, and will remain here three days as guests of Captain Edgar's Union Veteran Corps and Kit Carson Post. The Zouaves are three and four years' veterans, and many of them served in the army as officers. They will spend one day looking over the battle-fields on the south side of the Potomac.

The following additional subscriptions have been received to-day:

Recent Contributions.

Woodward & Lothrop, \$1,600; Samuel Shellabarger, \$200; Dr. A. P. Fardon, \$150; Saks & Co., \$100; C. C. Duncasson, \$100; Ira Godfrey, \$100; C. P. Ryan, \$100; Al. H. Smalls of the proposal state of the pumber of Godfrey, \$100; C. P. Ryan, \$100; Al. H. Smalls

Saks & Co., \$100; C. C. Duncasson, \$100; Ira Godfrey, \$100; C. P. Ryan, \$100; J. H. Smalis & Son, \$100; John T. Ormes, \$100; Rapley Bros., \$100; John L. Vogt, \$100; Nath. Wil-son, \$100; Wheatley Bros., \$50; William Bal-lantyne & Son, \$50; William F, Mattlingly, \$50; F. J. Mackey, \$55; W. M. Drame, \$55, Will. F. J. Meeks, \$35; F. M. Draney, \$25; William Helmus, \$25; F. M. Draney, \$25; W. K. Mendenhall, \$10; Edward H. Harmer, \$20; A. W. Sloussa, \$10; C. W. Handy, \$10. Gore, Janney & Co. have doubted all the file boxes needed by the committee.

NEXT YEAR'S APPROPRIATIONS. The District Bill Taken Up by the House

Committee. The House Committee on Appropriations met this afternoon shortly after 12 o'clock. A little after 10 o'clock District Commissioners Webb and Wheatley put in an appearance. They immediately began to discuss the District Appropriation bill. There are four items in the bill that will require a little figuring on. They are the streets, police, schools and charities. It was thought that the other

items could be finished to-day.

Mr. Webb said be could give no estimate for the charities at present; he would favor the same amount appropriated last year. In reference to the streets, it is more than probable that the subcommittee having in charge the Dis-trict bill will make a tour of that portion of the city where the improvement of

the streets is most needed.

There was considerable discussion of the proposed work of the committee, but it was decided that no business could be done until the subcommittee on the various bills had met. After an hour or so the committee adjourned to meet at the call of the acting chairman, General Sayers. As fast as each subcommittee prepares the bill entrusted to at a meeting of the committee will be called to act on its recommendations and no meeting will be held until one of the subcommittees has reported. Representatives Sayers, Clements, McComas, Rice, Hen-derson, Butterworth and Ryan were

SENSATIONAL CHARGES.

ary the Accused. T. G. Maguire, an immate of the County Infirmary, in a card to a morning paper,

of the Empress Frederick was quietly ob-served at Windsor to-day. The Empress re-ceived scores of congratulations, and many German officials called and brought presents intendent Young.

Maguire has been there eight weeks, and alleges he has not been given a change of clothes, and has been quartered all that time with insane persons and those sick with fever. All the dinner they receive, according to Maguire, is a dry bone or skin of perk, and many of the sick are suffering from hunger. The charges will be investigated. SANDUSKY, O., Nov. 21 .- A lamp exploded a the cabin of the propeller Leland at Huron

vesterday and she caught fire. No other facili-ties being at band than buckets for the extin-guishment of the fire, the flames could not be checked and the beat was destroyed. JACKSON, MISS., Nov. 21,-The Republican The Mystery of Dick Oglesby's Death. State Executive committee have decided to DECATUR, ILL., Nov. 21.-The relatives of contest the election of the Democratic candig Dick Oglesby, the actor, deny the story that he was killed near Marionville. Mo. because of having betrayed Miss Schossler of Cincin-nati. They as yet, however, have no positive intelligence as to how he met his death. dates for Congress in the second, third and

Wartiston, Iowa, Nov. 21.—Five svictions of settlers from the Des Moines River lands were made Monday and six more yesterday. Most of the settlers realize that they must yield to the law and some of them are ready to numbase their lands. understood, put out a full State ticket in 1890, as well as full county tickets in counties where they have a prospect of winning.

A plan was also set ou foot looking to the establishment of a Republican newspaper in his city.

ON THE MURDERER'S TRACK.

An Attempted Murder in Whitechapel Prevented This Morning

A HOT CHASE AFTER THE ASSAILANT.

He Manages to Eludo Parsult-Is it "Jack the Ripper ?

startled and shocked this morning by a report that another unfortunate had fallen a victim to the terrible knife of the Whitechapel fiend. The report stated that the mysterious woman slayer had accompanied his victim to a lodginghouse, cut her throat and mutilated her person in a manner similar to that of his previous victims, and succeeded in making his escape. The police at once formed ing his escape. The police at once formed lines surrounding the precinct in which the crime had been committed.

As the report spread crowds of maddened men and women flocked to the

Secretary Whitney at once suggested that, however wise and commendable the proposition advanced might be in the abtract, it was not the right time to east LATER-An investigation of the reported murder in Whitechapel reveals the fact that the woman was only wounded in the throat. the police that a man visited her lodgings and suddenly attacked her with knife. She struggled and screamed and

them upon the country. The Secretary also p inted out to the President one important instance in which the alleged facts advanced were not correct. In this, Mr. Whitney was found to be right and the message was the man becoming alarmed fied.

The would-be murderer was chased fully 300 yards, but succeeded in cluding his pursuers. The woman states that modified accordingly.

A special meeting of the Cabinet was then called, at which the subject was again considered. All of the members were present. Mr. Whitney was alone in his opposition to the proposed measure, all of his colleagues urging the will be fully able to identify her assailant, In the opinion of the police the assault on the woman last night is not connected

with the previous outrages in that neigh-borhood. They do not think that the famous Whitechapel murderer had any hand in last night's affair. The woman's expediency of the message at that time. The discussion was rather heated, Messrs. Whitney and Vilas exchanging bitter words during the debate. assailant is not yet arrested, and the excitement of the people continues. It was finally determined that the mes-sage should go to Congress, although the

A SAD END.

Death of Judge Drummond in a Dingy Grog-Shop in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Nov. 21 .- In a dingy grogshop at 93 South Desplaines street, a man dropped dead early last evening. He appeared to be more than 70 years old. Though dissipation had made his countenance anything but pleasant to look were late in arriving at Fifth Avenue hotel upon, the massive frame and clear-cut features showed him to be a man of more than ordinary birth and breeding. ion until midnight last night.

The changes of rules effected by the comnittee were the chief topics of discussion this
norning, and they were generally comnended, except the rejection of the high and
ow ball system.

In his pockets the police found papers which led to his identity. He was W. W. Drummond, once the Supreme Judge of the Territory of Utah. The dead man was a Virginian by birth, and in 1851 was appointed to the highest judicial position in the Territory of Utah by position in the Territory of Utah by President Pierce. He was then comparatively a young man, and although having an interesting family, fell in with a dissolute woman named Pleasant Edgerton. This woman was the cause of his ruin, and he became an ontcast from society. For the last six years he has been known as a drunken pauper, living in the low saloons on the West Side.

EDITOR HARRINGTON FINED.

He Must Pay Fifty Pounds for His Criticism of the Parnell Commission. LONDON, Nov. 21.-Upon resuming the sitting of the Parnell Commission today, Mr. Reid, counsel for Mr. Edward Harrington, stated that the latter had rereference to the article reflecting on the judges of the commission which Mr. Harrington had published in his paper, the Kerry Sentinet. Therefore, Mr. Reid had nothing to say in answer to the Court in Mr. Harrington's behalf. As near as can be ascertained the number of

Presiding Judge Hannen asked Mr. Harrington if he had anything to say. The latter replied that he had not, but would accept the responsibility for what appeared in his paper. The judges con-sulted, after which Judge Hannen said:
"The authority of the Court must be maintained." He then fined Mr. Har-

A TERRIBLE DISASTER.

An Explosion of Naphtha at Bristol, Eng.,

man of Topeka was made permanent chairman. The committee on resolu-tions reported the following, which was Kills Three Men. LONDON, Nov. 21 .- Three hundred and ten barrels of naphtha on board the schooner United exploded at Bristol to-Whereas, this convention believes that by the opening of Oklahoma Territory the rights of the Indian tribes of the Territory will, in no wise, be impaired, while the condition of rude tribes will be greatly improved, and Whereas we believe it is an invariable rule that such vacant Territory as that in question will be settled without lawful authority, if not legally organized, and day, killing three men and causing great havoc. The windows in all the sur-rounding buildings were wrecked. The oil floating on the water was one mass of flame, and caused the greatest alarm lest the fire should be communicated to the shipping and wharves. The efforts to check the spread of the flames were finally successful. country in general and of the surrounding States in particular, requires the speedy trans-formation of the settled area of the Indian Territory into settled and civilized common-

Suit to Recover a Gambling Loss SPOKANE FALLS, W. T., Nov. 21. - Suit was egun yesterday against the proprietors of the begun yesterday against the proprietors of the "Maxeppa," a gambling resort, by Mrs. Judge Lewis, to recover \$10,000 lost by Judge Lewis in a faro game last Saturday. The money was the proceeds of the sale of some property and belonged to Mrs. Lewis. Judge Lewis is prominently known as an able jurist throughout the mining camps of Northern Idaho. He was on the bench at Lewiston ton during Arthur's administration. Remised. That we urge most imperatively on Congress the duty of passing at once substantially the pending bill to organ a the Territory of Oklahoma, now well advanced in the House of Representatives.

Resolved, That we call on His Excellency, the President of the United States, to exercise all the authority in him vested to render efficacions the laws now existing, or to be enacted, looking to the establishment of the proposed new Territory.

A computities to go to Washington in

BEWTON, KAS., Nov. 21,-Two female horse thieves, Ida Wesotn and Emma Nantrey, eacaped from jall Monday night. Some unown person entered the sheriff's room at opera thotel during his absence, secured the keys, liberated the young women and returned the keys to the drawer where they were kept. The women flave been stealing horses for a year and carned extended notorioty for

Tried for Brutal Chastisement. Aurona, Li., Nov. 21,-Professor P. Ruprecht, teacher at the German Lutheran School, was fined \$25 and costs yesterday for severely whipping a 10-year-old boy, one his pupils. The boy's back was literally ra as a result of the beating received.

Entirely Too Thoughtful

Amanda Bell stole \$7 out of Rosie Johnson's dress pocket while Rosle was asleep yeslerday fternoon in her room in Slate alley. Amanda said she took it to keep it for Rosle, so that she wouldn't speud it foolishly, but she was sent to jail for thirty days for her thoughtful-

AT THE HOTELS.

Judge Thomas Seitle, of Jacksonville, is at he Ebbitt. George M. Boutwell of New York is at the

Mrs. Tilford and daughter and Miss Melton of Virginia are at Wormley's.
L. de Montgolfier of Montreal and Louis N.
Richter and wife of Brooklyn are at the Ar-

H. R. Smith of Colorado, J. J. Ballery of Portland, Ore., and F. P. James of Pittaburg are at the Ebbitt.

James T. Clyde of New York, Frank C. Wood of Boston and Robert Tagg of Philadel Robert C. Wheeler and wife of St. Joseph, Mo.; J. J. Storrow of Boston and W. H. Dill of Pennsylvania are at Welcker's,

THE BLACKBURN-RUCKER MATTER.

The President Does Not Even Bemember

the Latter. NEW YORK, Nov. 21 .- The World has

the following from Washington: "Inquiry at the White House brought from Colonel Lamont simply a reiteration of the statement previously made that the President does not even remember Judge Rucker, but is positive in the assertion that he never used the language attributed to him by the Judge. It is the opinion at the White House that judge Rucker and Senator Blockburn may have talked over the situation in New York after leaving the executive office, and that the Judge gained the im-pression that Hill and Hewitt had been the subjects of the President's private the subjects of the President's private conversation with the Senator. It is known that Senator Blackburn entertained the views expressed by Judge Rucker, who is believed to have been simply a little careless and possibly indiscrept in attributing to the President what Senator Blackburn may have said to him.

When a Gentleman Must Lie, A Louisville special to the New York World says: So far as the public knows, Rucker's position and his word are as good as the Senator's, and the Senator himself gave him an indorsement by introducing him to the President. seems to have been no motive for his lying about the matter. There are times when it is necessary for a gentleman to lie, and even to perjure himself. The Prince of Wales made himself vustly more popular and more respected than he had ever been before when he went on the stand in a certain notorious case and perjured himself like a gentleman. Senator Blackburn may be in a similar Senator Blackburn may be in a similar predicament. There seems to be some mystery about the affair connected with the two witnesses whom nobody names but in any event the Senator has said all that he could say, and there is nothing for him to do but await Judge Kucker's

QUITE HIGHLY SPICED.

he "Arbeiter Zeitung" of Chicago Waves Vigorously the Red Flag. Chicago, Nov. 21.—Notwithstanding Editor Christiansen of the Arbeiter Zei-

tung is counted among his socialistic friends as too mild-mannered in his advocacy of Anarchism, this week in the columns of his paper he throws the red flag to the breeze in old-time style. The English press of Chicago is attacked for the manner in which it oppresses the poor and upholds the wealthy, and capi-tal is generally roundly assailed.

The paper says Anarchism in Chicago is far from being dead, and that in a few weeks the organization of its followers will be more complete than it has ever been before. Meetings are being held nightly all over the city for the purpose of reorganizing the forces, and these gatherings are addressed bywell-known

agitators.

The Arbeiter Zeitung also villifies Mr. T. V. Powderly, the head counsellor of the Knights of Labor. It applies all the usual abusive terms to him and then invents a few new ones of its own. Powderly, it says, is to the workingman what the Pope is to the Catholic Church, and the wageworker is compelled to bow down before his mandates and "kiss his toe" in the most scrylle manner.

Rifles and Ammunition for Hayti, NEW YORK, Nov. 21 .- The steamer George

W. Clyde which safled yesterday for Monte Christi, San Domingo, had on board 500 cases Christi, San Domingo, had on board 500 cases of rifles and a quantity of ammunition. Minister Preston, the representative of the Haytien Government here, claims to have positive information that these manutions of war are intended for the use of the Haytien insurgents, and endeavored to prevent their shipment. Collector Magone, however, decided that he had no right to delay the vessel's departure, the arms and ammunition being regularly consigned to San Domingo.

Killed Himself from Shame. Toronto, Ont., Nov. 21:-It has been learned that Fred. Barber, the commercial fused to accept his (Mr. Reld's) advice in traveler who blew out his brains at the Sus pension Bridge on Friday last, committed the terrible act because he had suddenly ascer-tained that his newly-wedded wife was a woman of bad repute. The woman he married is known here as Polly Bredin. She was yesterday arrested on a charge of bigamy, she having a husband living when she married Barber on Wednesday last.

A Paymaster \$25,000 Short. MOLINE, ILL., Nov. 21 .- It has been learned by an examination of the books that the stealing of W. L. Stoughton, paymaster of the Moline Wagon Company, will not be less than \$25,000. It had been his duty to keep the time-books of the men, and by a system of false entries he had been taking \$200 every

fortnightly pay-day for more than a year, is understood that Stoughton made a particonfession to his employers before leaving.

Skillful Mail-Bag Robbers. London, Kr., Nov. 21.—About 3 o'clock yesterday morning two masked men entered the L. & N. depot here and forced the night operator to give up what money was in the cash drawer—\$27.60 and \$5 of his own. They then took a pistol belonging to the agent and also cut open the United States mail bag which had been left by the northbound train. It is not known just what is taken from the mail bag. No clue.

Future Policy Regarding Removals. NEW YORK, Nov. 21. - The World's Washington correspondent quotes Secretary Fairchild as follows, in response to inquiries as to the policy he will pursue during the next four months: "In regard to removal from office, I can say that as it has been in the past it will continue in the future. Those who behave themselves will be retained, and those who do not will be removed. This is the long and short of it."

The Illinois Millers.

SPRINGFIELD, I.L., Nov. 21 .- About forty

members of the Central Illinois Millers' Asse

clation held a meeting here last evening and

determined to use the machinery of their organization to prevent the shipment into their territory of flour from outside States in underweight packages, a practice which they maintain is running their local trade into the

The Chicago Market. CHICAGO, Nov. 21.—Opening, 9:30 a. m.— Wheat—Nov., 1047; Dec., 105; Jan., 1047; May, 1085. Corn—Nov., 394; Dec., 374; Jan., 362; May. 382. Oats—Nov., 204; Dec., 204; May. 306. Pork.—Jan., 814.65. Lard—Jan., 88.25; May. 8.374. Short rite—Jan., \$7.42; May. \$7.65.

The Washington Stocks. Miscelianeous Bonds-W. & G. R. R., 1114; Masonie Hall Ass'n, 156; Wash. Market Co., 115: Wash. Light Infantry, 1st, 92; Wash. Light Infantry, 2d, —; Wash, Gas Light Co., 124; Wash, Gas Rights, 64.

Co., 124; Wash, Gas Rights, 64.
National Bank Stocks—Bank of Washing-ton, 300; Bank of Republic, 170; Metropolitan, 198; Central, 201; Second, 135; Farmors' and Mechanics', 163; Citizens', 125; Columbia,

117.
Raiiroad Stocks—Washington and Georgetown, 210; Metropolitan, 1072; Columbia, 82; Cap. & North O at., 35½; Anacostia, 10.
Insurance Stocks—Firemen's, 38; Franklin, 394; Metropolitan, 78; National Union, 19½; Arlington, 158; Corcoran, 60½; Columbia, 124; German American, 155; Potomac, 63; Riggs, 71.

Gas, 40; Georgetown Gas, 44; U. S. Electric Light, 64. Telephone Stocks—Chesapeake & Potomac,

Co., 14; Washington Brick Machine Co., 190; National Press Brick Co., —; Great Falls Ice Co., 130; Bull Run Panorama Co. 19; Real Estate Title Insurance Co., 1174; Columbia Title Insurance Co., 58; National Safe De-pesit Co., —; American Graphophone Co., 12.

Local Weather Indications. Fair; a slight rise in temperature; northeast-